

MAJOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION

(Please print or type)

CASE M_____ (Assigned by the Planning Department)

Applicant's Name: I, _____, do hereby petition the City of Durham/County of Durham for a **Major Special Use Permit** to allow the following:

The governing body may approve this request only if it finds that the use as proposed is:

1. In harmony with the area and will not substantially injure the value of properties in the general vicinity; and

2. In conformance with all special requirements applicable to the use and in conformance with the Supplementary Requirements Section (Section 7) of the Zoning Ordinance; and

3. Will not adversely affect the health or safety of the public.

Considerations: Before any **Major Special Use Permit** shall be granted, the Council/Board must find that satisfactory consideration has been given to the following. **Your site plan, application and testimony at the hearing must provide sufficient evidence to persuade the Council/Board that these considerations have been adequately and appropriately addressed.** (Attach additional sheets as needed.)

- a. **Circulation** - Number and location of access points to the property and proposed structures and uses, with particular reference to automotive and pedestrian safety and convenience, traffic flow and control, and access in case of fire, emergency or catastrophe.
- b. **Parking and Loading** - Location of off-street parking, handicapped area and loading areas.
- c. **Effect on Adjacent Property** - Levels of noise, glare or odor; and the effects of proposed use on adjacent property.
- d. **Service Entrances and Areas** - Location of refuse and service areas, with reference to ingress and egress of service vehicles.

- e. **Utilities** - Utility location and availability.
- f. **Screening and Landscaping** - Installation of screening and fencing where necessary to protect adjacent property.
- g. **Signs and Lighting** - Location of exterior lighting and signs with reference to glare, traffic safety, economic effect and compatibility with other property in the area.
- h. **Open Space** - Location of required yards and other open spaces; preservation of existing trees and other natural features.
- i. **Compatibility** - The level of general compatibility with adjacent properties and the appropriateness of the use in relationship to other properties in the area.
- j. Any other review factors appropriate to the property in question.

NOTE: Please make sure you are prepared to address the requirements of any applicable supplementary use regulations, preferably as a written part of your application.

In granting a **Major Special Use Permit**, the Council/Board may place conditions on the use to assure that adequate mitigation measures are associated with the use. The applicant must follow all special requirements and conditions in order to maintain the validity of the use permit. **Major Special Use Permits** are typically authorized for two years, and are revocable by the Council/Board at any time for failure to adhere to the terms of the Zoning Ordinance or any imposed requirements or conditions. All conditions imposed by the Council/Board **shall be completed prior to issuance of a Certificate of Compliance.**

Applicant Signature

Date